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Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 30/12/2024 10:22 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	The Prince Albert Copthorne Bank Copthorne Crawley West Sussex RH10 3QX
Proposal:	Sever existing land to retain existing public house use and area of pub garden and erect a convenience store and 4 no. apartments with associated works, including alterations to the existing vehicular access and car park.
Case Officer:	Andrew Watt

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Customer Details

Address:	6 Church Lane Copthorne Crawley
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I am very concerned about this proposed development and the fact that the council chose to issue the notice over the Christmas period. There are three convenience stores in Copthorne already, of which two are family owned. One has recently undergone renovation at some considerable cost to the owner, I would

assume.

Why would we need yet another convenience store? Rumour has it that it would be a Tesco store. Why would the council want to bring in a corporate to take business off family owned businesses?

I am also concerned about the traffic jams that deliveries will no doubt cause. There is already noticeable traffic in the proposed development area as a result of the existing convenience store/post office, Connells Estate Agent, The Real Pizza Company, the Café Hub and the Delmar Morgan centre. There is already insufficient parking available to support these concerns. This planning application will only serve to increase congestion on Copthorne Bank and The Meadows as people try to find somewhere to park.

The junction of Copthorne Bank and Brookhill Road is in constant use, with larger vehicles forced to turn into the path of oncoming vehicles when making a left or a right turn into Copthorne Bank. If cars are left parked by the side of the road near the junction, the traffic will come to a complete standstill. It will become even more hazardous to traverse Copthorne Bank.

There is also a frequently used bus stop just outside the post office.

The Prince Albert pub is so central to the village and within easy walking distance for a large proportion of the residents of Copthorne. It has long needed investment, but this is not the kind of investment that one feels will be beneficial to the residents of Copthorne.

Heathy Wood is still under construction, so why are 4 more apartments needed in this small space? Why is another convenience store needed within metres of the newly refurbished convenience store/Post Office?

Our family strongly objects to this planning application.

Kind regards